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In re Patent Application of:
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For: GENE PRODUCTS DIFFERENTIALLY
EXPRESSED IN CANCEROUS COLON
CANCER CELLS AND THEIR METHODS OF
USE

Examiner: C. L. Smith

SUBMISSION IN CONNECTION WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 21, 2007 (Paper No. 20071212), for which a response was due on March 21, 2008. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for three months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to June 23, 2008 (June 21 and 22 falling on a Saturday and Sunday, respectively). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.